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SUBJECT: SAVIMBI VISIT TO LUSAKA

1. UNITA PRESIDENT JONAS SAVIMBI WAS IN LUSAKA LAST WEEKEND FOR MEETINGS WITH PRESIDENT KAUNDA AND OTHER ZAMBIAN LEADERS. LEARNED FROM MY BRITISH COLLEAGUE HE ALSO MET WITH HIM AND WITH SIR ANTHONY DUFF, NEWLY DESIGNATED UNDER SECY IN FCO, WHO WAS VISITING LUSAKA AT TIME.

2. IN DEPARTURE PRESS INTERVIEW AT LUSAKA AIRPORT AUG 2, SAVIMBI CALLED UDI BY A CABINDAN SEPARATIST MOVEMENT AS "UNREASONABLE", NOTING ALL THREE ANGOLAN MOVEMENTS ARE AGREED THAT CABINDA IS INTEGRAL PART OF ANGOLA. WERE SEPARATIST MOVEMENT TO SUCCEED, SAVIMBI SAID, EXCLAVE'S LOSS SHOULD BE "ENTIRELY BLAMED" ON QUARRELING BETWEEN MPLA AND FNLA. HE EXPRESSED DOUBT FLEC DECLARATION HAS ANY EXTERNAL BACKING AS YET FROM "POWER BLOCS". SAVIMBI ALSO CALLED ON OAU TO INTER- VENE AND BRING ABOUT PEACE IN ANGOLA PROPER BEFORE MATTERS WORSEN.

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3. UNITA EXTERNAL AFFAIRS SECY SANGUMBA, IN BRIEF CHAT WITH EMBOFF AUG 3, CONFIRMED SAVIMBI RETURN TO NOVA LISBOA. SANGUMBA EXPRESSED UNITA CONCERN WITH QUANTITIES OF SOVIET ARMS AND MATERIAL ENTERING ANGOLA FOR MPLA. ASKED HOW UNITA WAS DOING IN ITS OWN EFFORTS ACQUIRE ARMAMENTS ABROAD, SANGUMBA SAID ONLY THAT THESE EFFORTS ARE CONTINUING. SAID MPLA AND UNITA HAD CLASHED FOR FIRST TIME IN LOBITO WITH MPLA BEING RUN OFF.

4. COMMENT: SANGUMBA DID NOT SAY SO BUT WE INFERRED FROM HIS REMARKS THAT ONE OBJECTIVE OF SAVIMBI VISIT WAS TO APPEAL ONCE AGAIN TO KAUNDA AND PROBABLY TO BRITISH FOR HELP IN OBTAINING ARMS AND FUNDS.
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